

Finance Department - Medical Insurance Scheme to State Government Employees and Pensioners - MEDISEP - Implementation through Oriental Insurance Company Ltd. (OICL) - Approved - Orders issued.

FINANCE (HEALTH INSURANCE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(P) No.1/2022/FIN

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 01/01/2022

Read :- 1) G.O.(P) No.54/2017/Fin, Dated 24/04/2017.

- 2) E-Tender ID 2021 FIN 407935 1., Dated 22/01/2021.
- 3) Letter No. HI-2/2/2021-Fin, Dated 06/08/2021.
- 4) Letter of Acceptance received from OICL, Dated 13/08/2021.
- 5) Letter received from Oriental Insurance Company Ltd., Dated 06/11/2021.
- 6) Order of the Hon'ble High Court in WA.615/2021, Dated 21/12/2021.

ORDER

As per the Government order read 1st above, sanction has been accorded for the implementation of Medical insurance scheme to State employees, pensioners/family pensioners and their eligible family members based on the recommendation of Tenth Pay Revision Commission. Later the Government decided to extend the scheme to employees and pensioners of universities which receive Grant-in-Aid from State Government and Local Self Government Institutions and directly recruited personal staff of Chief Minister, Ministers, Leader of Opposition, Chief Whip, Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Chairmen of financial committees and Personal staff pensioners and family pensioners with a provision to avail cashless medical assistance through an insurance company selected by competitive bidding process.

Based on the report of revision of the existing medical / surgical packages submitted by the Medical Expert Committee and as advised by Advocate General, Kerala, the RFP was published afresh vide e-tender read 2nd above inviting competitive proposals from IRDAI approved insurance companies.

The technical evaluation committee which is the tender accepting committee, after invoking due procedures, evaluated the technical bids submitted by the insurance companies. Three public sector insurance companies viz. 1) Oriental Insurance Company Ltd 2) National Insurance Company 3) New India Assurance Company were declared technically qualified and the eligible financial bids of the three public sector insurance companies were opened on 07.04.2021.

The tender has been awarded to the Oriental Insurance Company Ltd on 06.08,2021 being the L1 for the implementation of medical insurance scheme for State Government employees and pensioners (MEDISEP) vide Government letter read 3rd above. The same was accepted by the insurer vide letter read 4th above.

Government after examining the matter in detail and on the strength of orders of Hon'ble High Court read as the 6^{th} reference above, are pleased to order that :-

- In principle approval for implementation of the medical insurance scheme for State Government employees and pensioners (MEDISEP) during the current year is given but the actual date of commencement of the scheme will be published later after completion of procedural formalities.
- 2. The scheme shall be implemented through The Oriental Insurance Company Ltd. with an annual premium of Rs.4800/- +18% GST for the policy period of three years, subject to the final order of the Hon'ble High Court in WA.No.615/2021, and subject to the successful empanelment of hospitals as per e-tender read 2nd above. The scheme will be serviced by the Third Party Administrators viz., 1. M/s Vidal Health Insurance TPA Private Ltd. 2. M/s. Family Health Plan Insurance TPA Ltd. selected by the Oriental Insurance Company Ltd. through competitive bidding process. (the selection of which was communicated vide letter read 5th above)
- The Finance Department, Government of Kerala shall be the administrator of MEDISEP. A nodal cell shall be constituted under Finance Department for the proper co-ordination of various functions relating to implementation of the scheme.

- 4. The enrolment under the scheme shall be compulsory for all employees and pensioners .
- 5. The employees, pensioners and their eligible family members covered under this scheme shall avail cashless assistance for approved treatment and surgeries in empanelled hospitals. (List of empanelled hospitals will be published upon finalisation of the same and detailed scheme along with Annexures and package/procedure list will be issued separately).
- 6. Three tier Redressal mechanism will be set up for redressing all the grievances related to the scheme.
- 7. The payment of premium shall be regulated as per the terms and conditions of the agreement to be executed between the Government of Kerala and the Oriental Insurance Company Ltd. The annual premium payable by the Government to the Oriental Insurance Company Ltd. shall be at the rate of Rs.4800/- (Excluding GST) per employee/pensioner per annum for a block period of 3 years from date of commencement of the scheme.
- 8. The annual premium paid by the Government shall be recovered @ Rs.500 per month by deduction from monthly salary of employees and monthly gross entitlement of pensioners. (Orders regarding effective date of premium deduction and modalities of remittance to state Government account will be issued separately). The annual premium thus collected beyond Rs. 4800+GST will be utilized for the treatment of catastrophic illnesses listed in Annexure II of scheme upon exhaustion of the corpus fund of Rs. 35 Crore kept exclusively for such expenses by the Insurance Company. For this the company has to meet the catastrophic procedure expense by itself in case it crosses the limit of Rs.35 Crore, and thereafter seek the reimbursement of the same from the Authority.
- 9. In principle sanction is accorded for inclusion of Ex-MLAs in the scheme and separate orders shall be issued extending the scheme to such categories after detailed examination on the implementation procedures.

- 10. Orders regarding further enrolment/rectification of beneficiary data, Toll Free Number, Contact Details of the insurer, Issuance of Identity cards and List of Empanelled Hospitals and the Scheme details will be issued separately.
- 11. The dedicated website for the scheme is www.medisep.kerala.gov.in.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

Rajesh Kumar Singh, IAS Additional Chief Secretary to Government

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The Principal Accountant General (G &SSA/A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Accountant General (E & RSA), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram

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The NORKA department.

The Private Secretary to Chief Ministers and Other Ministers.

The Private Secretary to Hon'ble Speaker

The Private Secretaries to the Leader of Opposition, Government Chief Whip

The Director of Public Relations Thiruvananthapuram.

Additional Secretary to Chief Secretary.

The Director of Treasuries, Thiruvananthapuram.

The District Treasuries /Sub Treasuries.

The General Administration (SC) Department (vide item No.455 dated 22/12/2021) in U.O File No.HI.2/2/2021-Fin

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